

GOD LOVETH A CHEERFUL GIVER

2 Cor. 9: 7-15

2 Cor 9:7 Every one of us must first make up our own mind as to how we will apply this principle of giving.

Grudgingly, Reluctantly, begrudgingly, Necessity: Constraint, distress. Under compulsion;

Sad givers and mad givers

Tasker: Both of these unworthy thoughts rob charity of its loveliness and its joy.

Hughes: To part with money in a charitable cause and then to grieve over its loss is not to give but to grudge. To contribute under compulsion, whether of superior authority or of public opinion, is likewise no act of Christian giving.

Cheerful giver: merry -hilarious

God loves especially those who give with right motive. He delights to see people who love to give.

Grace-giving has to do with motive as well as amount Prov 22:9; Deu15:10-11;

Rom 12:8

2 Cor 9:8 God is powerful enough, capable enough, strong enough to give in overabundance all the desire and power to do His will as a result of our application of principle of giving. ... *all sufficiency in all things* self-satisfaction, contentedness, contentment *May abound to every good work* you will be furnished/supported in abundance/more than you need for every good work

If want His power ... an overflow of His grace as we work in His vineyard, then must apply this principle of reaping and sowing bountifully.

Wiersbe: ...always have what he needs when he needs it.

2 Cor 9:9 Ps.112:9

Dispersed abroad: One of manifestations of righteous man is that he is a generous giver. He hath given to the poor: giving to the poor not an option Dt.15:7-11

Mat 10:8 *...freely ye have received, freely give.*

His righteousness remaineth forever: This evidence of giving generously will honor this righteous man forever.

2 Cor 9:10 Giving our offerings to the Lord is just as spiritual of an act before God as singing or handing out a gospel tract.

Wiersbe: Money is seed. If we give it according to the principles of grace, it will multiply to the glory of God and meet many needs. If we use it in ways other than God desires the harvest will be poor.

Hosea 10:12

Multiply: Increase, abound, ...*increase the fruits of your righteousness* love, joy, peace...goodness, kindness, souls, finances, material blessings, impact on a society for Christ, good and godly children, fruitful ministry, etc.

2 Cor 9:11 *Being enriched in every thing* God will bless you with much (make you

wealthy/rich) in all you do and have *to all bountifulness*,. (so you can give away much ; so you can be generous.

which causeth through us thanksgiving to God They , in turn, praise and give thanks to God for your help.

If give more, God, in turn, gives me more, and I then am able to give more, etc.

2 Cor 9:12 giving does 2 things:

1. Meets the needs of God's people:
2. Causes people to overflow with thanks to God.

2 Cor 9:13 You have proven to all your standing and your trustiness of this ministry of giving. They have a good opinion of God)for:

Because you have acknowledged your loyalty and obedience unto good news of Christ.

Your generous giving unto the saints and unto all men.

2 Cor 9:14 As they pray for you their hearts will be bonded after you because of the very supernatural power of God evidenced in and through you.

2 Cor 9:15 God has done so much for us in giving to us eternal life, any discussion of giving of these funds seems so minor.

If grateful to God for what He has done then giving is spontaneous.